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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Re: U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/751,078**  
**Applicant: Rodney Edward Thomas**  
**Filed: January 2, 2004**  
**For: Vehicular Child Seat Assembly**  
**Docket No. A310937.0US**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are:

1. Transmittal letter (1 page);
2. Summary of Interview with Examiner (3 pages, including attachment); and
3. Firm Return Receipt postcard.

Thank you for your help with this matter.

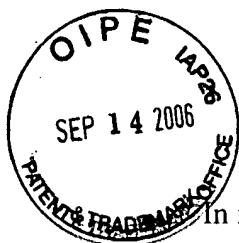
Best Regards,

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Art Unit: **3636**

Examiner: **Joe Edell**


Attorney Docket No.: **A310397.0US**

**SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER**

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Matthew A. Williams  
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Dear Sir,

On August 29, 2006, Applicant, through the undersigned counsel, participated in a telephonic interview with Examiner Edell. The purpose of this interview was to discuss the final rejection that was mailed on August 7, 2006.

During this interview, no exhibits were shown and no demonstrations were conducted.

Claim 1 was the only claim discussed during the interview, and it was discussed in light of Crisp (U.S. Patent No. 4,900,087). Applicant and Examiner reached agreement that Crisp does not teach a restraint system encapsulated by the first and second child seat portions when the second child seat portion is in its closed position. Applicant agreed to an Examiner's amendment to add this limitation, and Examiner indicated that the application was now in condition for allowance.

Applicant further states that Examiner Edell's Interview Summary is attached hereto and incorporated by reference into Applicant's Summary.

Respectfully submitted,



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## Interview Summary

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10/751,078

Applicant(s)

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EDWARD

Examiner

Joseph F. Edell

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Joseph F. Edell.

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(2) M. Williams.

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Date of Interview: 29 August 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: UPSN 4,900,087 to Crisp.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed the structural differences between the restraint system of Crisp versus the restraint system of the instant application. Agreement was reached that Crisp fails to teach a restraint system encapsulated by the first and second child seat portions when the second child seat portion is in its closed position.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an  
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Examiner's signature, if required